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SUBJECT: REVISED US FORCES ALERT PROCEDURES

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FOR AMBASSADORS/CHARGES

1. THE FOLLOWING DEFENSE ALERT PROCEDURES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE WERE APPROVED MAY 28:

A. IN THE EVENT OF AN ALERT OF US FORCES OVERSEAS, SUCH AS OCCURRED LAST OCTOBER, ALL POSTS WILL RECEIVE IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE. THIS WILL BE IN ADDITION TO NOTIFICATION THROUGH MILITARY CHANNELS AS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPHS 3 AND 5 OF REFTEL.

B. A FOLLOW-UP CABLE OF GUIDANCE AND EXPLANATION WILL BE SENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

C. IF THE CHANGE IN ALERT STATUS IS TO OR FROM DEFCON 3 OR HIGHER (THE OCTOBER 1973 ALERT WAS TO DEFCON 3), AMBASSADORS IN COUNTRIES WHERE US FORCES ARE STATIONED OR WITH WHICH THE US HAS MUTUAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS ARE HEREBY INSTRUCTED TO INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS AS SOON AS THEY THEMSELVES ARE INFORMED. NOTIFICATION OF HOST

GOVERNMENTS TO A CHANGE FROM DEFCON 5 TO 4 AND STANDDOWN FROM DEFCON 4 TO 5 CONTINUE TO REQUIRE EXPLICIT DEPARTMENTAL APPROVAL.

2. FOR OTTAWA. ABOVE PROCEDURES DO NOT MODIFY 1965 CONSULTATION AGREEMENT WITH GOC (WHICH HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED IN THE PAST BY MILITARY TO MILITARY CHANNELS). IN ADDITION, FOR THE SPECIAL CASE OF CANADA, THE ABOVE PROCEDURES WILL ALSO APPLY TO THE CASE OF AN ALERT OF US DOMESTIC FORCES, WHETHER OR NOT US FORCES OVERSEAS ARE ALERTED. SISCO

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